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SUBJECT: VISIT OF MOH/SW SLIWINSKI TO U S; MEETING OF
U S-POLISH JOINT HEALTH COMMITTEE

REF: WARSAW 696

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT HEW SECRETARY JOSEPH CALIFANO HAS DECIDED TO ISSUE INVITATION TO MOH/SW SLIWINSKI TO VISIT THE U S AT MUTUALLY CONVENIENT TIME LATE SUMMER EARLY FALL 1977. ALTHOUGH EVERYONE IS AWARE OF THE MINISTER'S INTEREST IN TRAVELING TO THE U S AT TIME CONCURRENT WITH MEETING OF US-POLISH JOINT COMMITTEE FOR HEALTH COOPERATION, NOW SCHEDULED FOR WEEK OF MARCH 21, CALIFANO'S CURRENT DOMESTIC RESPONSIBILITIES DO NOT ALLOW HIM TO PROVIDE AMOUNT OF TIME SEEN NECESSARY FOR A VISIT IN MARCH. LETTER FROM CALIFANO TO SLIWINSKI CURRENTLY BEING PREPARED AND WILL BE SENT THROUGH EMBASSY SOONEST.

2. HEW/OIH (EHRLICH) TELEPHONED DR. ANDREJ WOJTCZAK EVENING OF MARCH 2 TO PERSONALLY ADVISE HIM OF CALIFANO'S UNCLASSIFIED

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DECISION TO ASSURE HIM OF HEW/PHS INTEREST IN CONTINUING WITH MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE AS SCHEDULED. WOJTCZAK WAS PLEASED WITH ASSURANCE BUT DEFERRED DECISION FOR MEETING DATES TO JAN SIEKLICKI. SIEKLICKI WAS TO CONTACT HEW/OIH THROUGH EMBASSY TO CONFIRM ALL DATES FOR MEETING. PLEASE ADVISE HEW/OIH ASAP.

3. IF MEETING IS TO CONTINUE ON SCHEDULE, ALSO PLEASE
QUESTION SIEKLICKI ON 1. WHO WILL BE ON MOH/SW DELEGATION
AND 2. WHAT ARE ANY POLISH INTERESTS FOR AGENDA.

4. IF MEETING IS TO CONTINUE ON SCHEDULE, EMBASSY MAY
WISH TO INFORM SIEKLICKI THAT HEW/OIH WOULD OPT FOR
THREE DAY MEETING IN WASHINGTON WITH TWO-THREE DAYS FOR
VISITS TO U S HEALTH INSTITUTES (GOVERNMENTAL AND/OR NON-
GOVERNMENTAL) OF INTEREST TO POLES. HEW/OIH REQUESTS
ADVICE ON ANY EXPRESSED INTEREST OF POLES FOR SUCH
VISITS.

5. FINALLY, HEW/OIH INTERESTS IN AGENDA INCLUDE A
THOROUGH DISCUSSION OF PROCEDURES FOR AND FORMAT OF
DOCUMENTATION ON PROJECTS TO BE SUPPORTED THROUGH JOINT
FUND (FROM POLISH CONTRIBUTION). NUMEROUS PROJECTS HAVE
ALREADY BEEN IDENTIFIED BY BOTH SIDES FOR SUCH JF SUPPORT
AND NOW THE TASK IS TO ACCOMPLISH SUCH FUNDING. ALSO,
HEW/OIH WILL DISCUSS WAYS TO IMPROVE AND EXPAND SCIENTIST-
TO-SCIENTIST AND INSTITUTE-TO-INSTITUTE EXCHANGE PROGRAMS.

6. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST.
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